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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Guidance for Planning  
Photographic Reconnaissance of Cuba

1. The Executive Committee of the National Security Council has established the following objectives for overflight of Cuba:

- a. Determination of the reinstitution of offensive weapons systems in Cuba.
- b. Determination of military deployment which would threaten Guantanamo.
- c. Surveillance of military and unidentified establishments to note changes of pertinence to a and b.
- d. The exploitation of Russian weaponry now in Cuba to determine critical characteristics of such weaponry as such would effect our military posture vis-a-vis the USSR apart from Cuba.

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2. You are also requested to submit to the Executive Committee an indication of the high and low altitude photography and the timing for overflight necessary to provide the information which would enable the Community to meet the foregoing objectives. In considering objectives for high and low level coverage it is important to be specific on the need for low level coverage. This would include a listing of specific indicators which when observed by high level photography would dictate low level coverage.

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